Huntington Beach Human Relations Task Force

Tuesday, September 4, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes

I. Roll Call: 6:50 pm

Present: Dagley, Garrick, MacDonell, Nees, Parr, Hoff, Knowles, Malik

Absent: None Staff Liaison: Kuhnke

Police Liaison: Det. Phil Gasca

II. Welcoming Remarks by Chair Dagley

Dagley welcomed everyone and asked that all members notify him or Kuhnke in case of absences.

III. Public Comments Regarding Special Meeting Items:

None

IV. Special Reports/Presentations:

None

V. Approve Minutes:

Motion to approve August 7, 2012 minutes after amended to show that Malik, Hoff and Garrick also attended the CAHRO meeting. Moved, Garrick; Seconded, MacDonell. Approved: 8; No: 0

VI. Status Reports:

- 1. Hate Crimes/Incidents: Det. Gasca reported that an assault took place on August 25' 2012 at Bella Terra Mall. Suspect allegedly assaulted a 51 year-old mall employee and called him a "fag" although the victim is not gay. Suspect is a 35 year-old male. A court date is set for October.
- <u>2. Coordinating Council News/Activities:</u> No report. Next meeting will be October 1, 2012 at 12pm and various candidates for City Council will be present.
- 3. OC Human Relations News/Activities: Newest hate crime report has been released. There was a 14% increase in hate crimes reported. More and more cities are trying to increase reporting in their communities. Copies of the report were distributed to all members.
- <u>4. HB Reads 2013 News/Activities:</u> Dagley announced the selection of the HB Reads book, Thirteen Reasons Why by Jay Asher. Dagley reported that there will be an event held at the Library on Oct. 10, 2012 to kick-off the book selection where there will be speakers.
- 5. HRTF Donation Account Balance: Kuhnke reported the balance at \$1,928.86.

VII. Updates, Planning, and Possible Motions pertaining to the following events/programs:

- 1. HRTF Fundraising Activities: Dagley reported that he is looking for opportunities to tie into bullying. It was also pointed out that donations may be easier to obtain when the HRTF has identified its future programs.
- <u>2. Bullying Report and Proclamation Activities:</u> Dagley reported that both drafts of the HRTF approved proclamation were forwarded to Council Liaisons Shaw and Harper. Both drafts of the proclamation are under review by the liaisons.
- 3. HRTF Student Representative Programs: Garrick reported that the student representative committee will meet the last Tuesday of each month during the new school year. The group will meet at HB High School in Room D5 from 7 to 8pm. Garrick reported this year's District-wide Day of Dialogue will be held in March 2013. Garrick plans to meet with student representatives to prioritize the plans for the upcoming year.

VIII. New Business and Possible motions pertaining to:

1. Review of Draft Rules and Standing Operating Procedures: Nees and Garrick will review the draft and make any changes they deem necessary and bring back to the task force for approval.

Motion to: Form an Ad Hoc Committee to review the draft rules and standing operating procedures. Moved, Knowles; Seconded, Malik. Approved: 8; No: 0

2. Continued review, discussion and consideration of 2012-13 work plan for the HRTF: Dagley proposed the need for the HRTF to develop a work plan for the upcoming year that supports the mission statement. Dagley would like to continue the Task Force efforts in bullying and education and asked for other ideas. Hoff suggested revisiting Unity in the Community Diversity Fair. Nees suggested getting a booth at Surf City Nights or other events to promote all our programs. Garrick suggested getting a booth at the Procession of Light Celebration on September 9, 2012. Malik volunteered to staff the booth. Dagley will contact the Downtown Merchants Association to see what the cost will be to participate at Surf City Nights. Members were asked to bring additional items for consideration to the October meeting.

Motion to: Set up a booth at the Procession of Lights Celebration on September 9, 2012. Moved, Nees; Seconded, Knowles. Approved: 8; No: 0; Absent:

3. <u>Status of Unscheduled Vacancy</u> Kuhnke reported that applications were forwarded to the Council Liaisons for their review and appropriate action.

IX. Task Force Member Comments:

Parr: The Lestonnac Free Clinic is still looking for space for a free clinic within the City.

Adjournment at 8:52 pm to: October 2, 2012, Huntington Central Library, B Room